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United States Policy Re Communist China

Contribution to State document on controls in effect against China. 4 Feb. 1952

Early in 1950, the U.S. began scrutinizing exports of highly strategic materials to China and on 20 July 1950, the U.S. authorities cancelled all outstanding licenses for exports to Communist China. On 3 December, 1950, after the intervention of the Chinese in Korea, a validated export license was required for the shipment of any commodity to the mainland of China, and since 14 December 1950 the U.S. policy has been to deny all license applications.²

¹ Contribution to NIE-32, 14 May 1951 (SECRET)

² ACFR PD #361, Sect #5, 14 Dec. 1950. This policy covers not only direct exports from the U.S. to China, but also goods in transit through the U.S. or using the facilities of a U.S. Foreign Trade Zone.

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